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PERSONAL.

County Attorney Burt Mapes is transacting business in Madison today.

Mrs. E. C. Underburg of Stanton is visiting at the home of A. C. Ellenwood.

Wm. Gerecke of Stanton was in the city yesterday renewing old-time acquaintances.

J. W. Wamberg of the Verdel Outlook is a city visitor today on his way home from Sioux City.

Prof. J. A. Hornberger, formerly superintendent of the Norfolk schools,

now living in Lincoln, is a city visitor today.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Taylor leave for Wayne on the early train tomorrow for a visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Bertha Meyer of Stanton is a guest of Mrs. E. H. Gerecke. She is enroute home from Ft. Pierre, S. D.

Misses Nina Walker and Nellie Morrow expect to leave Monday for a visit at the home of Joe Morrow at Rocky Ford, Col.

Misses Ruth and Carrie Harding, who have been guests of their grandmother, Mrs. M. A. McMillan the past four weeks, returned to their home in Omaha this morning. Mrs. McMillan accompanied them as far as West Point, where she will visit at the home of her brother a few days.

Dr. A. Mittelstadt, dentist, Bishop block. Telephone 69.

PLENTY OF MOISTURE.

Sprinkler of the Weather Man Has Been Working Persistently and Indiscriminately.

Sprinkles, showers and a lack of sunshine has been the order of today in the weather department and emphasizing it all has been a degree of chilliness to make people thing of putting up the base burner and making it up with the coal men so that a supply of fuel would be forthcoming on demand. It also suggested heavier underwear and warm wraps. The minimum temperature recorded during last night was 50 degrees, which was certainly sufficient to prevent milk from souring.

The streets have resumed their muddy condition and the crossings would be in about the same condition but for the energy of the street commissioner's force of assistants. The weather man promises that it will be warmer tomorrow.

Races

At Tekamah, Neb., August 5-7, 1903. Tickets on sale August 4 to 7, inclusive, at \$1 each, good coming back August 8, or before.

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NEWS VOTING CONTEST.

Standings as Recorded up Till Noon Today.

The vote at noon today was:
Mrs. Elsie Desmond, Norfolk, 16,273
Lucy Shaffer, So. Norfolk, 16,132
Miss Maud Tannehill, Warnerville, 1,353
Mrs. C. H. Vail, the Oxnard, 666
Miss Jennie Avery, Battle Creek, 53

It's awfully hot. The coolest, richest, best ice cream is to be had at Kauffman's.

Henri Brewer Bledsoe, the Haytien baritone, will give a song recital at the Second Congregational church Friday, July 31. Mr. Bledsoe has appeared in such places as the Plymouth Congregational church, Minneapolis, Minn., First Baptist, and the Cathedral of the Epiphany and Unitarian church, Sioux City, and has won the highest praise wherever he has sung.

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The unique botanical knowledge of Sir George Birdwood, one of the most erudite men in the India service, once enabled him to perform almost unconsciously a neat bit of detective work.

He was in Bombay when he was asked to investigate the case of a young nobleman who in applying to the governor for an appointment represented that he was just out from England and that his letters of introduction had been lost on the voyage.

A few days after Dr. Birdwood, as he then was, had undertaken the investigation he met the young nobleman at dinner at the governor's house. The table decorations of orchids suggested a conversational opening, and Dr. Birdwood's praise drew from the young nobleman standing opposite:

"You should see the Amherstia nobilis in its native woods, sir."

It was a fatal remark.

"You come from Rangoon, then?" instantly exclaimed Dr. Birdwood.

The pale face, the silence that could be felt, the request of the young man that he might leave the table, all prepared the governor and the company for the subsequent discovery that he had absconded from Rangoon with some public funds.

Exit the Editor.

"You have no use for the papers, you say?" remarked the tourist.

"No," replied the wild westerner. "They get too personal sometimes. I did subscribe to a paper once, but I stopped it."

"What paper is it you refer to?"

"You mean what paper was it. Ain't I just told you I stopped it? Done it in one shot too."—Philadelphia Press.

An Important Distinction.

She-I suppose that it would take a great deal of observation and experience to enable a man to pick the fastest horse entered for a race.

He-(mournfully)—Yes, but that isn't what you are trying to do. What you want is to pick the horse that is going to win.—New York Times.

Not So Bad.

"Poor man," she said, stooping over the victim who had just been dragged out from under her automobile, "have you a wife?"

"No," he groaned; "this is the worst thing that ever happened to me."—Chicago Record-Herald.

TELEPHONE IMPROVEMENTS

Extensive Repairs to be Made Soon in Norfolk Exchange.

CENTRAL ENERGY TO BE USED.

No Longer Will the Customer Ring a Bell to Call the Operator—a Slick Device Intended to Promote Quick Service.

The Nebraska Telephone company is about to inaugurate improvements in the system at this place that will amount to a practical rebuilding of the plant. The company is negotiating for more room on the second floor of the Cotton block and if this is secured the floor space occupied by the central office will be about doubled. A new switch board has been ordered with an ultimate capacity of ten operators, which it is expected will meet the requirements of the business for a long time to come. During the years since the exchange was established here the company has been installing new switch boards at irregular intervals, each one larger than the one before, until it is now proposed to anticipate the business a little, and get one that will remain for awhile.

The central energy system is to be adopted in the exchange at this place. By central energy means a system that does away with the batteries at the subscriber's telephone, a storage battery being maintained at the station which gives the same efficiency at all instruments. Power for the storage battery will be secured from the electric light plant. The central energy system does away with the necessity of ringing to call the operator. The lifting of the receiver from the hook lights a tiny electric lamp in front of the operator which remains lighted until the receiver is replaced on the hook, when it goes out. This system is now being installed in Fremont and will be at Wayne, West Point, Battle Creek, Hadar, Hoskins, Waverlyville and Stanton.

The requirements of the new method are such that the insulators will have to be changed to a heavier glass, individual wires cannot be used near trees but they will have to be replaced with cables, and even the cables now in use will have to be changed to others adapted to the work. So that all that will remain of the present system will be the poles and cross arms.

It is estimated that the changes will cost \$12,000 to \$15,000. Work will be commenced as soon as material can be secured, which has been ordered. Speaking of the expense of maintaining a telephone system, when the suggestion was offered that the cost to the subscriber ought to be reduced, Manager Sprecher said this morning that about all the average person takes into account when figuring the profits of the telephone company, is the cost of labor, rent, heat and light, whereas these items are a very small portion of the expense. In the fifteen years that the telephone has been in operation in Norfolk the system has been rebuilt twice and thousands of dollars have been expended in repairs besides. Now the system is to be rebuilt again. These are among the items that the customer must help pay for, because the company can in no other way secure a return for the money invested. While on the question of rates, Mr. Sprecher called attention to the situation of the Fremont Telephone company, which appeared by representative before the city council the other evening and stated that unless the rates charged in that city could be raised the company would have to go out of business. Following is the statement of the Fremont company, as published in the Tribune:

"To the honorable mayor and council of the city of Fremont: The petition of the Fremont Telephone company, now pending before you, asking for a sliding scale upon certain conditions, is hereby respectfully withdrawn. We find it will now be impossible for us to comply with the conditions therein mentioned and it would be unprofitable to us under present circumstances if we did so. We find by experience that our present rates are inadequate, and we must be allowed a reasonable increase or retire from business. This is inevitable. We do not ask you to take our word for it. We will be pleased if you will appoint a committee to co-operate with a committee of disinterested persons we shall ask the Commercial club to appoint, to investigate our books, and all other sources of information desired, for the purpose of ascertaining what is the proper rate. Our company will pay reasonable expenses of investigation. By order of our board of directors."

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WELL KEPT CEMETERY.

Prospect Hill, the Last Resting Place of Norfolk Dead, an Attractive Spot.

Some dozen or more years ago a systematic effort was organized to improve the condition of Prospect Hill cemetery. Nature had done much for the grounds, which are located so that they overlook the surrounding country, on Thirteenth street a mile north of Norfolk avenue, but previous to the movement mentioned not much had been attempted in the way of beautifying the city of the dead. The services of a landscape gardener were employed and plans made to park the grounds. The whole tract was seeded to blue grass, walks and drives were prospected along graceful lines, trees were planted where they would add to the attractiveness of the grounds and beds of foliage were started. City water was piped to the cemetery and hydrants placed at convenient points from which to sprinkle the lawns.

This season more than ever the results of those early plans are becoming apparent and the effect intended by the designers nearer realized than ever before. The lawns have taken on a beautiful green, the trees have grown to good size, the foliage beds are prolific and the walks are clean and well kept. The office of the association at the gate is neat and tidy and the whole surroundings bear the impress of thoughtful care and painstaking attention. Ed. Harter is now the sexton and he is doing well the work begun many years ago by his father, and which was continued up to nearly the day of his death.

Few towns pay as much attention to the sleeping place of the dead as does Norfolk, and the credit for this commendable work is due to a small number of people who are either members of the cemetery association or who have relatives interred there and are consequently personally interested in keeping the grounds beautiful.

What He Is Worth.

"What a curious habit we have," remarked the street car philosopher, "of saying that a man is worth so and so many thousands of dollars. I know men who have many dollars who, judged from any reasonable standard that I know, are not worth anything at all. It is refreshing to hear occasionally of men who do happen to be worth a great deal even though they are rich and who are anxious that people should forget they have money and think of them only for their qualities. All the same, it always gives me an unpleasant turn when I see a man's worth put down in dollars."—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Why He Wanted His Letters.

He—If you insist upon it I suppose it is all over between us, but I wish you would return my letters.

She—Why, you are not afraid I shall make use of them to your disadvantage?

He—No, but I've got my eye on another girl, and I could use them writing to her, you know.—Exchange.

Badly Balanced.

"I am a self made man," said the proud individual.

"Well, you are all right except as to your head," commented the other part of the conversation.

"How's that?"

"The part you talk with is out of proportion to the part you think with."—San Francisco Wasp.

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